

STATISTICS FOR THE STATE

State Table 5.—FARM OPERATORS BY COLOR, RESIDENCE, OFF-FARM WORK, AGE, AND YEARS ON PRESENT FARM: CENSUSES OF 1920 TO 1954

[Data in italics are based on reports for only a sample of farms. See text]

Item (For definitions and explanations, see text)	Census of—							
	1954 (October)	1950 (April 1)	1945 (January 1)	1940 (April 1)	1935 (January 1)	1930 (April 1)	1925 (January 1)	1920 (January 1)
<b>FARM OPERATORS</b>								
<b>By color:</b>								
White.....number..	137,965	154,792	174,247	186,828	195,863	168,811	(NA)	195,714
Negro.....number..	915	745	1,021	634	654	427	(NA)	549
Other nonwhite.....number..	42	52		127		134	(NA)	184
<b>By residence:</b>								
Residing on farm operated.....operators reporting..	131,230	145,241	164,054	171,024	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Not residing on farm operated.....operators reporting..	5,296	6,007	10,071	8,409	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operators not reporting residence.....number..	2,396	4,341	1,143	8,156	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
<b>By off-farm work:</b>								
Working off their farms, total.....operators reporting..	75,717	72,494	60,133	60,468	56,782	60,311	(NA)	(NA)
1 to 49 days.....operators reporting..	14,693	15,609	8,087	12,815	20,403	26,258	(NA)	(NA)
50 to 99 days.....operators reporting..	6,309	7,290	6,105	7,861	10,810	8,918	(NA)	(NA)
100 days or more.....operators reporting..	54,715	49,595	45,941	39,792	25,569	25,135	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 199 days.....operators reporting..	9,229	9,733	7,879	15,326	11,877	10,755	(NA)	(NA)
200 days and over.....operators reporting..	45,486	39,862	38,062	24,466	13,692	14,380	(NA)	(NA)
Operators not working off their farms.....number..	59,511	77,480	115,135	111,551	137,880	109,061	(NA)	(NA)
Operators not reporting.....number..	3,715	5,545		15,570	1,855		(NA)	(NA)
<b>By age:</b>								
Under 25 years.....operators reporting..	2,044	3,620	3,855	3,749	(NA)	2,901	(NA)	5,775
25 to 34 years.....operators reporting..	16,824	19,677	22,941	21,317	(NA)	18,313	(NA)	34,327
35 to 44 years.....operators reporting..	31,866	33,679	36,555	34,644	(NA)	39,088	(NA)	47,591
45 to 54 years.....operators reporting..	32,181	34,309	44,238	47,977	(NA)	43,301	(NA)	47,260
55 to 64 years.....operators reporting..	29,546	33,620	38,844	41,135	(NA)	35,146	(NA)	37,474
65 years and over.....operators reporting..	24,428	23,908	27,250	30,454	(NA)	25,051	(NA)	21,650
Average age.....years..	50.4	49.9	49.8	50.7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operators not reporting age.....number..	2,062	7,708	1,585	8,313	(NA)	5,572	(NA)	2,370
<b>Operation of present farm began--</b>								
1954:								
September or later.....operators reporting..	619	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
July and August.....operators reporting..	466	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
May and June.....operators reporting..	1,343	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
March and April.....operators reporting..	1,608	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
January and February.....operators reporting..	710	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
1953:								
November and December.....operators reporting..	645	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
September and October.....operators reporting..	948	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
July and August.....operators reporting..	682	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
May and June.....operators reporting..	1,037	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
March and April.....operators reporting..	1,327	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
January and February.....operators reporting..	407	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
1952.....operators reporting..	6,101	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
1951.....operators reporting..	6,366	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
1946 to 1950.....operators reporting..	30,839	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
1941 to 1945.....operators reporting..	22,429	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
1940 and earlier.....operators reporting..	59,692	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
Operators not reporting.....number..	3,724	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
Average number of years on present farm.....years..	16	15	15	15	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

NA Not available.

State Table 6.—FARMS BY CLASS OF WORK POWER AND SPECIFIED FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT: CENSUSES OF 1920 TO 1954

[Data in italics are based on reports for only a sample of farms. See text]

Item (For definitions and explanations, see text)	Census of—							
	1954 (October)	1950 (April 1)	1945 (January 1)	1940 (April 1)	1935 (January 1)	1930 (April 1)	1925 (January 1)	1920 (January 1)
<b>Farms by class of work power:</b>								
No tractor, horses, or mules.....farms reporting..	19,035	26,293	38,593	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
No tractor and only 1 horse or mule.....farms reporting..	1,517	3,927	7,599	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
No tractor and 2 or more horses and/or mules.....farms reporting..	3,015	13,926	33,055	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Tractor and horses and/or mules.....farms reporting..	16,855	31,019	51,176	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Tractor and no horses or mules.....farms reporting..	98,521	80,364	44,907	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
<b>Specified facilities and equipment:</b>								
Telephone.....farms reporting..	92,971	83,135	68,858	52,025	(NA)	73,757	(NA)	97,874
Electricity.....farms reporting..	138,072	146,895	144,260	133,095	(NA)	134,785	(NA)	115,695
Television set.....farms reporting..	77,726	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Piped running water.....farms reporting..	116,423	(NA)	86,163	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Home freezer.....farms reporting..	60,183	29,026	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Electric pig brooder.....farms reporting..	4,451	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Power feed grinder.....farms reporting..	19,104	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Milking machine.....farms reporting..	46,462	42,269	27,060	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Grain combines.....farms reporting..	42,349	28,588	12,251	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
number.....	43,313	27,234	12,920	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Corn pickers.....farms reporting..	23,303	10,585	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
number.....	23,514	10,691	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Pick-up hay balers.....farms reporting..	19,090	7,342	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
number.....	19,198	7,480	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Field forage harvesters.....farms reporting..	8,685	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
number.....	8,743	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Motortrucks.....farms reporting..	62,145	49,493	37,304	30,311	(NA)	34,894	(NA)	4,681
number.....	71,076	56,966	41,303	33,099	(NA)	36,768	(NA)	4,886
Tractors, including garden tractors.....farms reporting..	119,101	111,373	96,452	62,146	(NA)	33,098	18,515	5,584
number.....	187,481	149,377	110,120	66,524	(NA)	34,579	19,217	5,884
1 tractor.....farms reporting..	75,921	79,319	84,938	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2 tractors.....farms reporting..	30,645	19,674	9,979	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
3 tractors.....farms reporting..	8,761			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
4 tractors.....farms reporting..	21,437			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
5 or more tractors.....farms reporting..	2,812	2,868	1,535	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Wheel tractors other than garden.....number..	163,190	133,659	101,765	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Garden tractors.....number..	20,690	12,682	5,493	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Crawler tractors.....number..	3,601	3,036	3,024	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Automobiles.....farms reporting..	122,052	130,187	149,348	152,922	(NA)	133,565	(NA)	78,919
number.....	156,909	184,756	172,655	181,209	(NA)	150,922	(NA)	82,437
Farms reporting automobiles and/or motortrucks.....number..	131,033	140,816	155,946	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

NA Not available. <sup>1</sup>The 1930 inquiry referred to electricity in "farmer's dwelling," and the 1920 inquiry referred to gas or electricity in "operator's dwelling."  
<sup>2</sup>Figures for 1954 and 1950 are for tractors other than garden tractors.